# MIAMIBEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # 303-2010

## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE:

November 10, 2010

SUBJECT: DRAFT RESOLUTION REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDING IN SUPPORT OF THE PORT OF

MIAMI DEEP DREDGE PROJECT.

Ms. Alina Gonzalez, Local Affairs Coordinator Intergovernmental Affairs Miami-Dade County transmitted the attached Draft Resolution and a letter of support for Federal funding of the Port of Miami Deep Dredge project.

They are requesting your support on behalf of the Port of Miami.

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Attachments

### Beauchamp, Lillian

From:

Gonzalez, Alina M. (OIA) [ALINAG@miamidade.gov]

Posted At:

Tuesday, November 09, 2010 1:54 PM

Conversation:

Posted To:

City Clerk's External Mail

Subject:

Dear Cities:

Attached please find a draft resolution and a letter of support for federal funding of the Port of Miami Deep Dredge project. On behalf of the Port of Miami, we kindly ask that your respective city give its support to this economically vital initiative.

Thank you,

#### Alina Gonzalez

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#### DRAFT RESOLUTION

# RESOLUTION REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDING IN SUPPORT OF THE PORT OF MIAMI *DEEP DREDGE* PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami is the largest container port in Florida and is a vital contributor to the local, state and national economy accounting for 176,00 jobs and \$17 billion economic impact to the economy of South Florida, and

WHEREAS, in the anticipation of expanding trade and commerce, the Port of Miami has been authorized by Congress to dredge to a depth of -50 feet, and

WHEREAS, upon completion of the dredging of the Miami federal shipping channel to -50 feet an additional 33,000 jobs over ten (10) years will be created, and

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami *Deep Dredge* will allow cargo to double within ten (10) years, providing billions of dollars in wealth, and

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami *Deep Dredge* will allow South Florida to grow international trade and commerce exponentially, and

WHEREAS, the completion of the expansion of the Panama Canal in 2014 will require deepening of the Miami federal ship channel to -50 feet to accommodate the larger vessels from the Pacific

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami Deep Dredge is necessary to make the Port of Miami competitive with nearby foreign ports, and

WHEREAS, the dredging cost is estimated at \$150 million, with \$75 million already committed by local sources, and

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami Deep Dredge is considered a project national significance

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That (your organization) supports the allocation of \$75 million in federal funds for the dredging of the Port of Miami to -50 ft.

The Cha	irperson	thereupon de	clared th	e resolutio	n duly	passed	and app	proved this	
Day of	, 2010.	• . •							

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